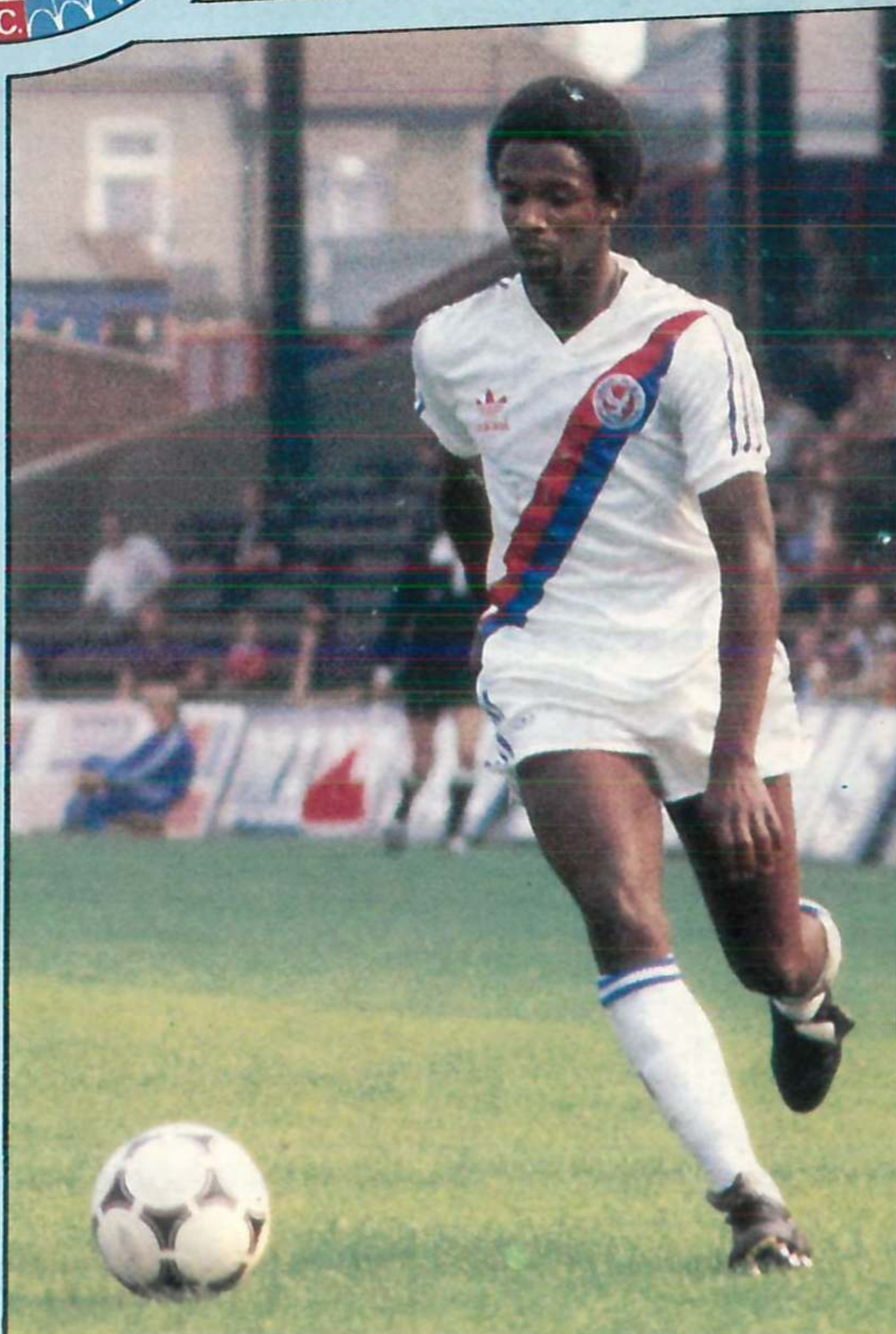
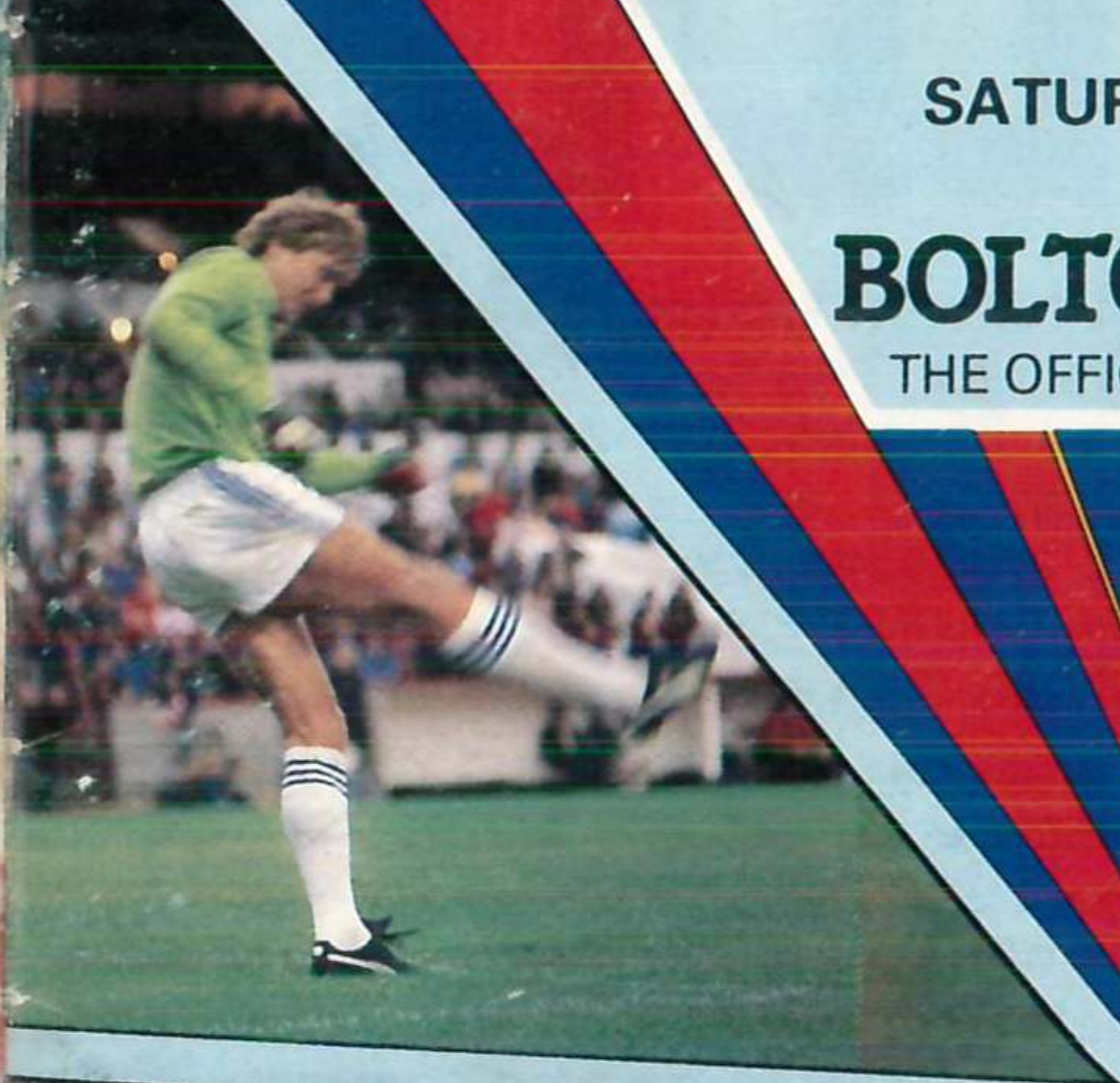


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I'm sure all our supporters are well aware of the financial difficulties that have been facing football clubs this season and most of the problems existed before the bad weather started. However, I won't bore you with a repeat performance of the prophets of doom that have been writing in the National Press every day since the start of the season. One consolation has been that they have had something else to write about other than Palace, and I was very pleased to see after the win at Enfield coverage of the match saying we had done something right for a change. Almost every newspaper forecaster had Enfield to win, no one said we would, and the T.V. cameras were there in force to record the giantkilling. It's the first T.V. coverage for over a year that was not having a critical dig at us, it was also the first Saturday in 1982, which may be a good omen.

I've been Chairman here now for virtually a year and to say it has been difficult would be an understatement but we have made progress in some areas. Not as much as I would have liked, but considering the difficulties that we have faced I'm reasonably pleased.

On the pitch, the players have responded well to Steve's appointment and there is a new mood of optimism seeping through, if that continues we will finish quite well up in the League and surprise a few people. We've spent over £200,000 more in the transfer market than we have received and our squad does not need much improvement to be a serious threat once more. Off the pitch we borrowed

£100,000 from Watneys and transformed the Glaziers. The new "Strikers" Restaurant and Cocktail Bar we completed last week and it will open quite shortly. We've doubled the size of the Tudor Lounge, built a Lottery Agents Bar and a new Press Room in the old Stand. A new club shop has now opened which during the week will also act as the Box Office, Lottery Office and Club Reception. Portakabins are already in position on the Holmesdale Terrace and by the Arthur Wait Enclosure turnstiles to be converted into Tea Bars. Seven new full size and two half size Executive Boxes have been built in the Old Stand and all are sold, the steel framework for nine more is already built. The training Ground Club House has also been refurbished throughout and a new Physio room built. A separate building has been purchased for development of a weight gym and fitness club solarium etc.

Don't tell me we should have bought players in the transfer market instead of doing the above improvements. Watneys was a ten year loan, possibly interest free, and it would not be available for anything other than improvements to the licensed areas.

We also are well aware that all the above ground improvements count for nothing in the eyes of the supporters unless the team is winning. However, these improvements will improve the club's finances whatever the team is doing and if we improve the finances we provide a firm base to progress into the 80's. I don't want to have to sell our best players to

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pay our way which has happened in the past and we must develop our facilities so we increase our income and prevent financial disaster whenever the team is finding it difficult. Just take a look at Ipswich's facilities because that's what has helped to build their team and theirs is an example which should be followed.

Yes, I'm reasonably pleased with our progress last year and even though our financial position is poor we have the potential to come through and be a truly great club. I've got faith in Palace and if our missing supporters have a little it won't take too long before once again it's 'The Year of the Eagle'.



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"Superman McDonagh" that was a northern newspaper headline after Republic of Ireland goalkeeper Jim McDonagh had restricted Palace to a single-goal margin against Bolton Wanderers in November. It was a disappointed Bolton party who left Selhurst Park that night — beaten by a late own goal and dumped back on the bottom of the Second Division table.

But McDonagh, who has attracted First Division scouts with a string of performances to equal his man-of-the-match contribution against Palace, confidently predicts something different today.

"For a start," he says, "League form goes straight out of the window. The cup is entirely different because it's all about who plays well over 90 minutes on the day. And, besides, we are a different team now.

"We didn't play particularly well against Palace, but we've made a few changes since then and results have picked up. Our undersoil heating kept us playing during December and we took advantage by collecting seven points out of nine from three home games.

"That took us out of the bottom three before the Cup came along. We kept our home run going with a 3-1 win against Derby and it's no exaggeration to say we could have won by a few more goals. We've started playing a bit now and we're also finding that the ball is running more for us than when we were struggling earlier in the season."

If ever a club deserved a change of luck, then Bolton are worthy candidates. At one stage, they had seven players in plaster after breaking bones, and even at the start of this month, they were still without a number of first-team candidates.

The long-term casualties included former England Under-21 skipper Peter Reid, who is on the road to recovery after a broken leg, and Peter Nicholson, a long-serving defender whose Testimonial Year has been marred so far by complications with a fractured wrist.

Full back Ian Brennan (hairline fracture) and striker John Thomas (ankle ligaments) are

two other senior squad players who would have plugged gaps when Bolton were down in the dumps while losing nine of their first 11 League matches.

More recently, they have been without influential midfield men Len Cantello and Dave Hoggan, and there was a further blow when Middlesbrough declined to extend a loan period for left back Ian Bailey. Bolton also used the loan system to look at Southampton's Trevor Hebbard but decided against bidding for the £80,000-rated midfielder player.

"The season has been the worst I have known for injuries at any of my three clubs," says McDonagh, who even became a victim of the jinx himself. In a previous spell with Wanderers, he didn't miss a League game in four seasons, but this time he was sidelined for three matches with a groin problem.

The 28-year-old 'keeper returned to Burnden Park last August after spending a season with Everton and graduating to the Eire international team. "I really wanted to stay in the First Division but things changed at Everton with a new manager," he says. "So I was happy to join Bolton again because I needed regular League football to keep my place in the Ireland team.

"It was a traumatic period at the start of the season. I had been away for only a year, but it wasn't quite the same as before. When I first came here, we were a successful, winning team in the Second Division, and even though promotion brought its problems, we were still a First Division side for my last two seasons with the Club.

"Coming back to find them dropping to the bottom of the Second Division was no comparison with the old days. But, to be fair, the injuries had a lot to do with that situation.

"The new manager, George Mulhall (he was Bolton's assistant to Ian Greaves in the 1977-78 promotion campaign), just didn't have a chance to get things sorted out. Nothing seemed to go right, and there were days when only four or five senior players were fit for training.

"He was forced to put in some of the youngsters — but it's only now that we are getting

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a bonus. There are some good prospects here and they're all growing in confidence now that results have improved.

"Hopefully, it's a sign for the future, but we are only just getting off the ground, and the side has to prove itself over a longer period. This is a good club and if we can get moving again, the fans will come back; after all, it's not long ago that we were averaging more than 20,000 in the First Division."

Bolton's line-up in the last Cup round included three teenagers. Mike Bennett, an England Youth international, was at left back; Geoff Langley, normally a striker, deputised for Cantello in midfield; and Wayne Foster, who scored the second goal, partnered the experienced Alan Gowling up front.

Gowling has also appeared in the back four this season. That was when an injury to Gerry McElhinney disrupted the Irishman's central partnership with long-serving Paul Jones.

Mr Mulhall strengthened the defence by buying former England right back Steve Whitworth from Sunderland for £25,000. He also spent £125,000 for Manchester City's midfield player, Tony Henry, and £40,000 on Eire international flank operator Jeff Chandler from Leeds.

The money was raised from the £325,000 sale of striker Neil Whatmore to Birmingham City. Bolton also cut their losses by allowing Yugoslav international Dusan Nikolic to return to Belgrade and another deal pending recently was the transfer of former England forward Brian Kidd to Fort Lauderdale.

After all the changes, it now seems that Bolton are edging clear of their problems, but so far they have not balanced home form (six unbeaten games to January 2nd) with good results away from Burnden Park. In nine League trips to the end of December, they won only at Derby and the only other reward was from a goalless draw at Norwich.



BOLTON WANDERERS

Back Row (left to right): Mike Bennett, David Kay, Barry Taylor, Wayne Foster, Brian Atherton, John Thomas, David Hoggan.

Middle Row: Charlie Wright (Coach), Peter Nightingale (Pysio.), Neil Berry, Chris Thompson, Peter Nicholson, Dennis Peacock, Simon Farnworth, Jim McDonagh, Gerry McElhinney, Paul Jones, Ian Brennan, George Mulhall (Manager), Walter Joyce (Coach).

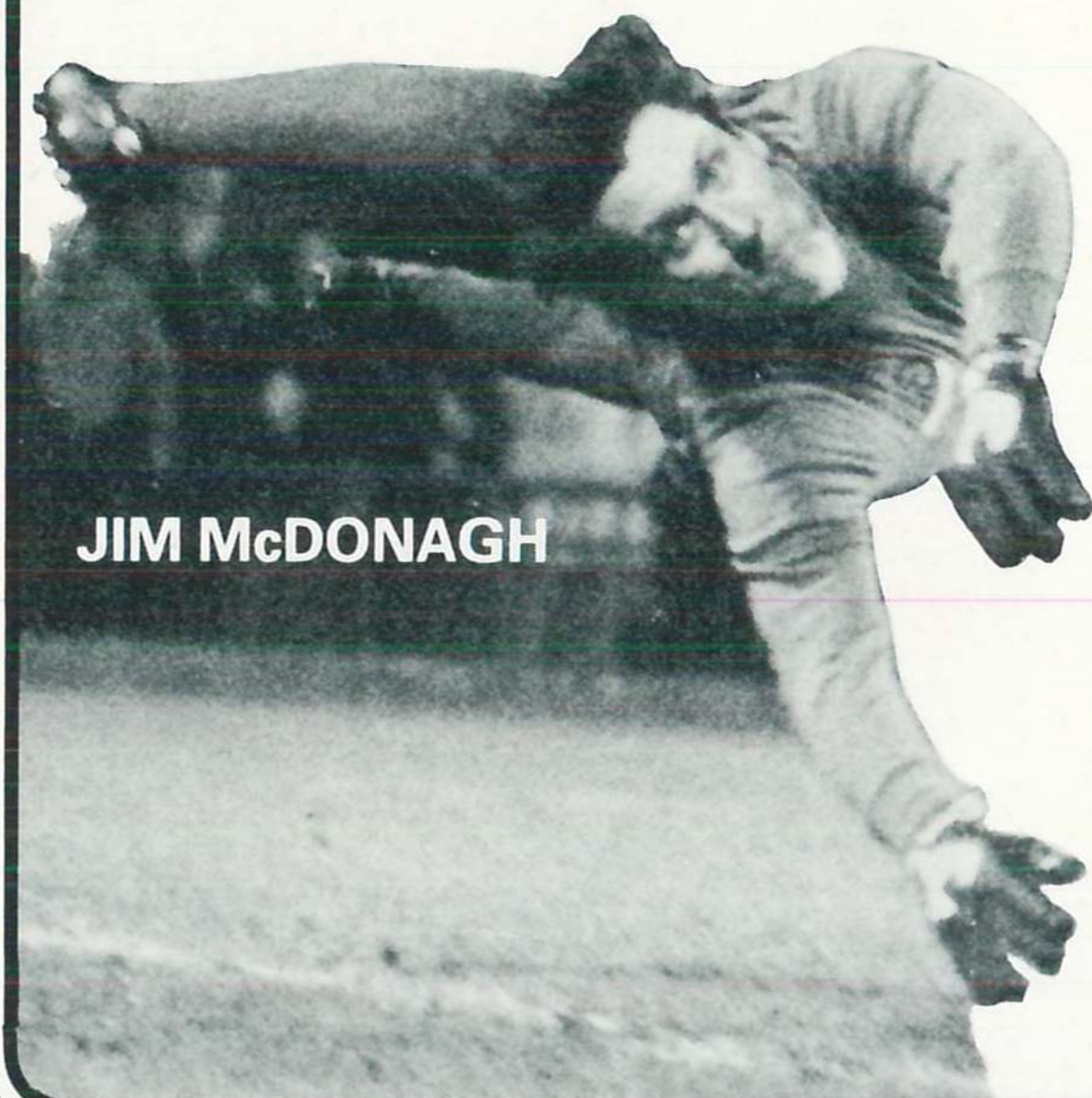
Front Row: Dusan Nikolic, Mike Carter, Alan Gowling, Len Cantello, Neil Whatmore, Peter Reid.



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MIKE BENNETT (Defender): Lost his place in the side recently when Ian Bailey was on loan from Middlesbrough in November. An England Youth international, Bolton-born Mick is now restored to the 1st Team squad.

LEN CANTELLO (Midfield): Rugged, ex-England Under-23 international, Len cost Bolton a record £350,000 when he signed from West Bromwich Albion in June 1979. He has made over 370 League appearances in his career.



JIM McDONAGH

MIKE CARTER (Forward): A highly talented striker who picked up useful experience with 18 games on loan to Mansfield before making his Bolton debut in December 1979.

JEFF CHANDLER (Midfield): Eire international, previously with Blackpool, signed from Leeds for £40,000 last October. Scored his first goal for Bolton against Charlton in December.

WAYNE FOSTER (Midfield): Only 18 years old, Wayne made his debut here at Selhurst Park in our 1-0 victory over Bolton in November. He has recently been called up for England Youth squad training.

ALAN GOWLING (Forward): Alan completed 400 League appearances with Manchester United, Huddersfield, Newcastle and Bolton in the last game of last season. Signed from Newcastle three seasons ago for £125,000.

TONY HENRY (Midfield): Bolton's top scorer with 5 goals in the 17 games played to the end of December. Signed from Manchester City for £125,000.

DAVID HOGGAN (Midfield): One of Bolton's best discoveries of recent years, David won international recognition with the Scottish Under-21 squad last season.

PAUL JONES (Defender): Paul was the unlucky man who conceded an own goal in the Palace v Bolton game at Selhurst Park in November. A one-club man, he is close to making 400 League appearances.

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GEOFF LANGLEY (Forward): Reserve striker or midfield player, Geoff signed professional in March 1980. He made his full debut in Bolton's F.A. Cup tie against Derby on January 2nd after two outings as substitute in the League.

JIM McDONAGH (Goalkeeper): Jim has won 6 Eire caps since his international debut against Wales last February. He is now in his second spell with Bolton, having re-joined them from Everton last summer.

GERRY McELHINNEY (Defender): A strong, Irish defender bought from Distillery last season. A former Gaelic footballer and amateur boxer, he could be a candidate for Ireland's World Cup squad.

DENNIS PEACOCK (Goalkeeper): At 6'3", Dennis is one of the tallest 'keepers in the League. Signed from Doncaster Rovers in March 1980.

JOHN THOMAS (Forward): Originally with Everton, John signed for the Wanderers on a free transfer in June 1980.

CHRIS THOMPSON (Forward): A promising young forward, or midfield man, who has established a regular place in the squad this season. Had scored four League goals up to the start of this month, compared with two in 21 games before this term.

STEVE WHITWORTH (Defender): Previously with Leicester and Sunderland, Steve joined Bolton for £25,000 last October. Is close to making his 450th League appearance.

Bolton's last visit to Selhurst Park:

Saturday November 28th 1981.
Football League Division 2

Palace 1 (Jones o.g.) Bolton 0. Attendance 8,839

Palace: Barron, Galliers, Boulter, Murphy, Cannon, Lovell, Brooks, Smillie, Langley, Mabbutt, Hilaire.

Bolton: McDonagh, Whitworth, Bailey, Henry, Jones, Gowling, Chandler (sub. Thompson), Foster, Carter, Cantello, Hoggan.

PALACE v BOLTON : CUP TIE RECORD

Football League Cup (*Palace scores first*)

1980-81 2nd Round 1st leg (at Burnden Park) 3-0

2nd Round 2nd leg (at Selhurst Park) 2-1

FA Cup The two clubs have not previously met in this competition



**ALAN
GOWLING**

PEDIGREE OPPONENTS IN THE 4th ROUND

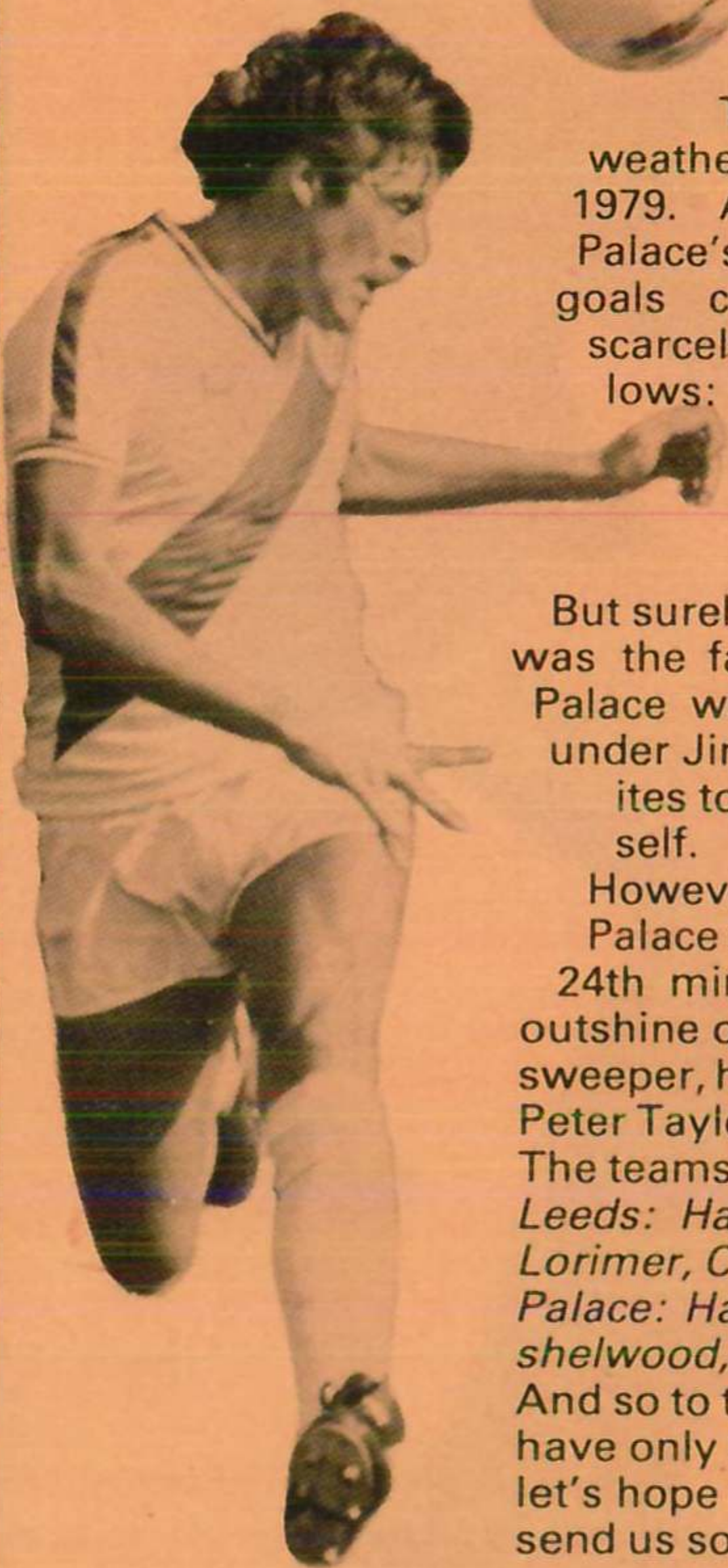


Palace historian, the Rev. Nigel Sands M.A. takes a look at today's tie and reflects on past 4th Round matches....

The act of fate which drew the Palace and Bolton numbers together out of the black velvet bag at the FA Offices presented Palace with the opportunity to meet one of the most famous names in the history of the FA Cup competition, for Bolton have won the trophy four times and been losing finalists on three further occasions. Their Wembley appearances in 1953 (when they lost to Blackpool 3-4 in the 'Stanley Matthews Final') and 1958 (when they beat Manchester United 2-0) brought players of such distinction as Nat Lofthouse, Harold Hassall, Dennis Stevens and goalkeepers Eddie Hopkinson and Stan Hanson into everyone's drawing rooms (even though some of us could only follow the game by 'wireless' in those days!) and, of course, Bolton won the first ever Wembley final — The White Horse Final — in 1923 with Dick Pym, David Jack and Ted Vizard in their side — names with which every football follower today, almost 60 years later, is familiar.

So, even though Bolton's fortunes have faltered somewhat since the 1950's and early 1960's, it is great to see Palace line up against a club with such a superb FA Cup pedigree, and it is intriguing to notice that all but one of Palace's 4th Round opponents since the last War (Southampton, Sheffield Wednesday, Tottenham and Leeds) have, like Bolton, been previous winners of the FA Cup competition.

**DAVE
SWINDLEHURST**



Palace's last fourth round tie was against Bristol City — who had themselves reached the Cup Final, at the Crystal Palace in 1909.

The match was played here at Selhurst Park, although the wintry weather had necessitated a 48 hour postponement to Monday January 29th 1979. Although City were a 1st Division outfit the precocious ability of Palace's youngsters dominated the match and the 3-0 scoreline (with our goals coming from Peter Nicholas, Terry Fenwick and Steve Kember) scarcely reflected our superiority. The teams from that match read as follows:

Palace: Burridge, P. Hinshelwood, Sansom, Kember, Cannon, Gilbert, Nicholas, Murphy, Fenwick, Swindlehurst, Walsh.

Bristol City: Shaw, Sweeney, Gillies, Gow, Rodgers, Hunter, Ritchie, Royle, Cormack (sub. Mann), Whitehead, Tainton.

But surely Palace's best post-war performance in the 4th round of the FA Cup was the fabulous 1-0 victory over Leeds at Elland Road on January 24th 1976. Palace were heading the 3rd Division at this time but sophisticated Leeds, under Jimmy Armfield and lying 2nd in the 1st Division, were clearly favourites to win the tie; indeed many pundits had tipped them for the trophy itself.

However, the sensation of the round was provided by Malcolm Allison's Palace side: Dave Swindlehurst headed home Peter Taylor's free kick in the 24th minute to assert Palace's already evident superiority and we went on to outshine our mighty rivals in every department with Stewart Jump, playing as sweeper, having his best game in our colours and with Martin Hinshelwood and Peter Taylor also outstanding.

The teams on that occasion were as follows:

Leeds: Harvey, Reaney, F. Gray, Bremner (sub. Hunter), Madeley, Cherry, Lorimer, Clarke, McKenzie, Yorath, E. Gray.

Palace: Hammond, Wall, Cannon, Jeffries, Jump, Evans, Chatterton, M. Hinshelwood, Whittle, Swindlehurst, P. Taylor.

And so to today's tie — Palace's 188th match in the FA Cup competition. Palace have only lost one post-war tie in the 4th round and have won four of them, so let's hope that Steve Kember's Palace Eagles fly high again this afternoon and send us soaring into Round Five.



**Palace
Poser 1**

What was the lowest ever attendance at a Palace FA Cup tie in the Competition proper?

PALACE MATCHFACTS 1981-82

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO

Up to and including 19th January, 1982

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Luton Town	20	7	0	2	24	10	7	3	1	20	10	45
Oldham	22	6	6	1	20	13	4	2	3	13	11	38
Watford	20	5	3	2	18	11	5	2	3	13	13	35
Q.P.R.	21	7	3	2	16	6	3	1	5	12	14	34
Sheffield W.	20	5	3	2	16	14	5	1	4	10	11	34
Chelsea	21	5	3	2	16	12	4	3	4	14	17	33
Blackburn	23	4	2	4	8	7	4	6	3	19	17	32
Barnsley	19	7	1	1	17	4	2	2	6	13	17	30
Charlton	23	6	2	3	19	13	2	4	6	11	20	30
Norwich	21	6	3	2	16	10	2	1	7	8	20	28
Newcastle	19	6	2	1	15	5	2	1	7	11	16	27
Leicester	19	3	4	2	10	7	3	4	3	15	13	26
Cardiff	19	5	1	4	13	15	2	2	5	9	14	24
Orient	21	4	3	3	12	11	3	0	8	7	15	24
PALACE	18	6	0	4	13	9	1	2	5	2	7	23
Shrewsbury	18	5	2	2	15	10	1	3	5	4	14	23
Derby	19	4	3	2	14	11	2	1	7	11	22	22
Rotherham	18	6	1	2	20	9	0	2	7	5	18	21
Cambridge	18	5	0	4	15	11	2	0	7	10	18	21
Bolton	21	5	2	5	16	17	1	1	7	3	14	21
Wrexham	19	3	0	6	9	14	2	4	4	12	13	19
Grimsby	17	1	3	4	9	12	3	2	4	9	17	17

APPEARANCES AND GOALSCORERS

(Up to and including 19th January)

	Lge. Apps	Cup Apps	Lge. Goals	Cup Goals
Barron	17	5		
Bason	15	4		
Boulter	5	2		
Brooks	7+1	2+2	1	
Cannon	17	5	1	2
Dare	4	1		
Galliers	3+3	-		
Gilbert	13	3		
Hilaire	12+1	4	2	2
Hinshelwood	6	1	2	
Hughes	3+4	2		
Langley	16	4	1	1
Leahy	1+1	2		
Lovell	12+2	3+2	1	
Mabbutt	6	1	2	
Murphy	10	4		1
Price	11+1	5		1
Smillie	17	5	1	
Walsh	9+1	1	2	
Wicks	5	1	1	
Own Goal			1	

THE FOOTBALL COMBINATION

Up to Tuesday, 19th January 1982

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Q.P.R.	20	15	2	3	46	19	32
Southampton	21	12	6	3	50	23	30
Norwich City	20	13	3	4	45	25	29
Watford	18	10	7	1	32	17	27
Ipswich Town	20	10	4	6	35	24	24
Tottenham Hotspur	18	9	4	5	26	21	22
Luton Town	19	7	6	6	30	30	20
Arsenal	21	6	8	7	23	27	20
Chelsea	15	6	5	4	21	21	17
Plymouth Argyle	16	7	3	6	22	23	17
Reading	16	5	7	4	26	28	17
Leicester City	21	5	7	9	25	38	17
Birmingham	18	5	6	7	21	19	16
Swindon Town	17	6	4	7	30	31	16
West Ham United	18	6	3	9	40	29	15
Fulham	15	5	5	5	19	17	15
PALACE	20	6	2	12	21	43	14
Oxford United	18	5	2	11	25	34	12
Orient	19	4	4	11	17	32	12
Bristol City	16	3	3	10	18	30	9
Hereford United	15	3	3	9	15	29	9
Bristol Rovers	13	1	2	10	11	38	4

S.E. COUNTIES SENIOR LEAGUE

(Up to 16th January 1982)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Q.P.R.	15	9	5	1	34	13	23
Tottenham	14	7	6	1	33	21	20
West Ham	14	7	4	3	34	16	18
Charlton	12	6	5	1	19	9	17
Ipswich	13	5	5	3	21	16	15
Norwich	14	4	7	3	20	16	15
Watford	13	5	4	4	24	25	14
Millwall	11	4	3	4	11	17	11
Gillingham	14	2	7	5	17	26	11
Orient	11	4	2	5	27	22	10
Chelsea	12	4	2	6	8	17	10
Arsenal	11	4	1	6	13	15	9
Fulham	14	4	1	9	27	37	9
PALACE	13	3	3	7	17	28	9
Portsmouth	11	3	2	6	15	22	8
Southend	14	2	3	9	14	34	7

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PALACE MATCH FACTS 1981-82 PAL

Date	Opponents	Res.	Att.	1	2	3	4	5
Aug. 29	Cambridge United	2-1	11,612	Barron	Hinshelwood	Dare	Price	Cannon
Sept. 2	Norwich City	0-1	14,484	Barron	Hinshelwood	Dare	Price	Cannon
Sept. 5	Sheffield Wednesday	0-1	18,476	Barron	Hinshelwood	Dare	Price	Cannon
Sept. 12	Charlton Athletic	2-0	14,357	Barron	Hinshelwood	Cannon	Price	Wicks
Sept. 19	Queens Park Rangers	0-1	17,039	Barron	Hinshelwood	Cannon	Price	Wicks
Sept. 22	Orient	1-0	11,306	Barron	Lovell	Cannon	Price	Wicks
Sept. 26	Shrewsbury Town	0-1	9,338	Barron	Lovell	Cannon	Price	Wicks
Oct. 3	Leicester City	1-1	12,558	Barron	Bason	Dare	Price	Cannon
Oct. 10	Rotherham United	3-1	8,379	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Oct. 17	Wrexham	1-0	4,795	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Oct. 24	Derby County	0-1	11,292	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Oct. 31	Luton Town	0-1	11,712	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Nov. 7	Blackburn Rovers	1-2	9,452	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Nov. 21	Oldham Athletic	0-0	5,581	Barron	Bason	Boulter	Murphy	Cannon
Nov. 24	Norwich City	2-1	9,010	Barron	Bason	Boulter	Murphy	Cannon
Nov. 28	Bolton Wanderers	1-0	8,839	Barron	Galliers	Boulter	Murphy	Cannon
Dec. 5	Barnsley	0-2	14,877	Barron	Galliers	Boulter	Murphy	Cannon
Jan. 19	Sheffield Wednesday	1-2	8,289	Barron	Hinshelwood	Boulter	Murphy	Wicks
Jan. 30	Queens Park Rangers							
Feb. 3	Chelsea							
Feb. 6	Charlton Athletic							
Feb. 13	Leicester City (5)							
Feb. 21	Orient							
Feb. 27	Rotherham United							
Mar. 6	Wrexham (6)							
Mar. 13	Derby County							
Mar. 20	Luton Town							
Mar. 27	Blackburn Rovers							
Apr. 3	Grimsby Town							
Apr. 9	Watford							
Apr. 12	Chelsea							
Apr. 17	Oldham							
Apr. 20	Grimsby							
Apr. 24	Bolton Wanderers							
May 1	Barnsley							
May 4	Shrewsbury Town							
May 8	Cardiff							
May 15	Newcastle United							
	to be re-dated:							
	Cardiff City (H)							
	Newcastle United (A)							
	Watford (H)							
	Cambridge United (A)							



Steve Wicks who scored our goal against Sheffield Wednesday.

Football League Cup

Oct. 6	Doncaster	0-1	7,783	Barron	Bason	Dare	Price	Cannon
Oct. 27	Doncaster	2-0	7,819	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Nov. 11	Sunderland	1-0	11,139	Barron	Bason	Lovell	Murphy	Cannon
Dec. 15	West Bromwich	1-3	10,311	Barron	Bason	Boulter	Murphy	Cannon
Jan. 13	League Cup 5							
Feb. 3	League Cup SF (1L)							
Feb. 10	League Cup SF (2L)							
Mar. 13	League Cup Final							

FA Cup

Jan. 2	Enfield	3-2	3,467	Barron	Hinshelwood	Boulter	Murphy	Wicks
Jan. 23	Bolton							
Feb. 13	FA Cup 5							
Mar. 6	FA Cup 6							
Apr. 3	FA Cup SF							
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BRIAN ALEXANDER OF THE SOUTH LONDON PRESS

THE RECENT arctic weather created panic among the footballing nation. Life suddenly became intolerable for millions of soccer-mad men when a series of Saturday afternoon washouts brought the prospect of having to see the wife on the sacred day.

For wives, it brought a welcome mid-season break. Hubbies could help with Christmas shopping, paint that spare room which he never thought existed or even accompany the wife to see his mother-in-law.

The football clubs were hit badly too. And newspapermen suddenly found gaping holes in their pages which had to be filled with silly stories which wouldn't have made more than a couple of lines normally.

But the soccer-starved weeks also brought the opportunity to look back on 1981 and some of the ludicrous statements made by people who are in the know.

One of my favourites on the South London soccer scene was from former Charlton full back Phil Warman as he prepared to join Millwall last June. Emerging from his health check-up, Warman said, "Blimey, you need to be a bloody astronaut to pass that medical." Well, Phil passed it but he's since kept his feet firmly on the ground as far as I know. Then there was Dario Gradi, sacked by Crystal Palace two months ago. Following one of Palace's worst performances of the season back in February against Coventry, angry Gradi commented, "Collectively we are not very good at marking." At least Dario was as honest as ever.

Then there was Millwall manager Peter Anderson talking after a goalless draw with Gillingham at The Den last April. Anderson, thoroughly fed up, insisted, "What a boring side they were. I'm just pleased we only have to play Gillingham twice a year." There was a similar tone of disgust in the voice of Charlton chairman Michael Gliksten, the day after previous manager Mike Bailey whizzed off to Brighton without any prior warning in June. Gliksten, fuming about Bailey's sudden and abrupt departure from The valley, said, "I'm very disappointed in Mike Bailey. To make it worse,

he even went to see the Brighton chairman in a Charlton car." I wonder if Mike claimed expenses for the trip!

Ernie Clay, the jovial Fulham chairman, was in no mood for laughs when I spoke to him about Chris Guthrie, the former Craven Cottage striker who joined Millwall. Guthrie hardly played for the Lions before breaking down injured, so Millwall refused to continue the fee instalments. Clay's reply to all this was clear cut. "Millwall owe us £83,000 on the transfer plus interest. That makes it £105,000. I'll see them in court." That hearing hasn't materialised yet, but Mr. Clay can be an incredibly persuasive man if he wants to be.

Poor old Dave Bassett, team and general manager of struggling Third Division Wimbledon who could now use another one of those great wins at Bristol City the other week to help stave off relegation. Bassett made a particularly unfortunate quote two days before playing Alliance Leaguers Enfield in the FA Cup third round. He said positively, "Make no mistake, I'm treating Enfield as if they were Manchester United." It makes you cringe just to think about it — the Dons were hammered 4-1 by little Enfield at Southbury Road. Thank goodness Palace made amends in the fourth round.

The last of my selection comes again from Millwall's Peter Anderson, a young and outspoken critic of the game — particularly when it concerns the minority of the club's supporters who insist on reconstructing some of the great historic battles on the terraces. During the disgraceful scenes at Fratton Park, Portsmouth after an FA Cup tie in November, Anderson told me, "The louts should be allowed to do whatever they feel they must on the pitch after the match. Let them kick the hell out of each other and leave the rest of us in peace." There's something for the administrators to chew over!

However bogged down the game becomes in politics, off the pitch wars and diminishing attendances, it is always encouraging to know that humour — intended or not — can still be found.



Palace Poser 2

When and where did Steve Kember last play in a Palace FA Cup tie?



VINCE HILAIRE

22-year-old, Vince from Forest Hill, first came to Palace as a schoolboy in 1974. In August 1976 he signed apprentice forms and two months later became a full professional. An England Under-21 international, on his day he is one of the most exciting players in the League. Born: 10th October 1959. Height: 5ft. 6½ins. Weight: 10st. 4lbs.

IT'S "SNOW" JOKE!

STEVE KEMBER AND HIS MEN WERE SO SHORT OF GRASS PRACTICE THAT THEY GAVE LEN CHATTERTON AND JOHN PLUMMER (PHOTO RIGHT) A HAND TO CLEAR JUST ENOUGH OF THE PITCH TO HOLD AN IMPROMPTU TRAINING SESSION LAST FRIDAY.



EAGLES IN ACTION

Left: Kevin Mabbutt is just beaten to the ball by Sheffield Wednesday's 'keeper Bob Bolder.

Below: Steve Wicks beats off two defenders to head the opening goal against Wednesday last Tuesday Evening.





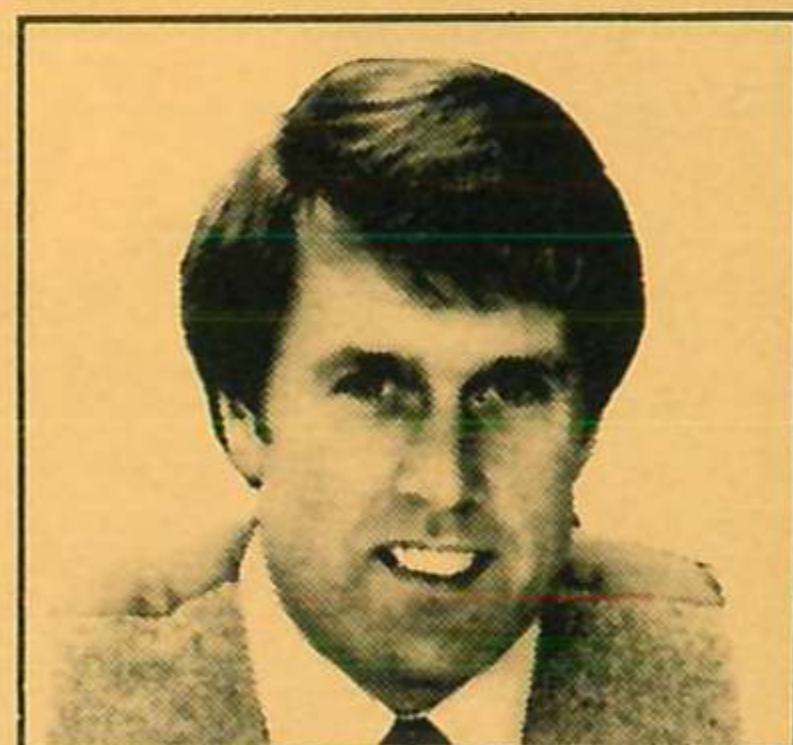
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MATCHDAY MASCOT

Our Mascot today is 11 year old Tony Colbourn and he will be leading the teams out for the start of the match.

PEN PAL WANTED

Mr. P.J. Baber is Palace fan living in New Zealand. He would like to correspond with someone who could keep him up to date with the Club and its activities.
If you would like to do this, you can write to him at 57b Simion Ellice Drive, Glenfield, Auckland, New Zealand.
Wendy Euston is a 16 year old Ipswich Town supporter who would be interested in exchanging programmes and news with a Palace supporter of roughly the same age. You can write to her at 16 Diamond Close, Ipswich, Suffolk IP1 5HN.

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Wednesday 3rd February
Away to CHELSEA
Kick-off 7.30 pm

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Wednesday 3rd February
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Stig Forsingdal, living in Luxembourg, has made up a 24 page list containing all kinds of foreign big match programmes. These include many games involving British clubs, such as Palace away at Kramfors, Viking, Jerv etc. He is willing to exchange or sell these programmes and will send a copy of his catalogue, free of charge to any interested collectors. Write to him at 74 Rue d'Anvers, L-1130 Luxembourg-Gare.



Palace
Poser 3

Who holds the record for scoring the most goals for Palace in Division 1?

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MEET THE REF

BRIAN T. STEVENS
(Stonehouse, Glos.)

Started refereeing in the Stroud Youth League in 1963 and progressed via the Stroud, Gloucestershire County and Western Leagues to the Football League list.

A married man, he has two daughters, and is a Quality Control Supervisor. His hobbies are skittles and tennis. Manager of the Stroud and District Youth League Representative Team.

PALACE POSER ANSWERS

1 3,467 at Enfield on 2/1/82.

2 14/1/80 v Swansea at Cardiff.

3 Gerry Queen.

AROUND THE GROUND

WITH WENDY GEE (CROYDON BOROUGH NEWS)

Every year, about Christmas time, Len Chatterton looks up at the sky and prays that the snow keeps away. As we are all too aware, this year it didn't and the man given the biggest headache by all the snow and ice was Head Groundsman, Len. It's his job to keep the pitch in top condition whatever the weather.

Len takes the current assault on his beloved turf in his stride. "What can you do?" he asks. "No sooner have we cleared one lot of snow than another lot starts to fall..... we just have to keep plodding on."

And plodding on in the middle of Selhurst Park is what he has been doing for the past fifteen years, since being appointed Groundsman in 1966.

His association with the club goes back even further, however. To 1941 in fact when, as a youngster, he played junior football for Palace. After service with the Royal Marines during the Second World War, he continued playing amateur football. Firstly with Carshalton and then with Redhill and Eastbourne. At the latter two clubs he was managed by George Smith.

When, in 1958 Mr. Smith took over at Palace, Len joined him to take charge of schoolboy training, and assisted Dick Graham with the reserves.

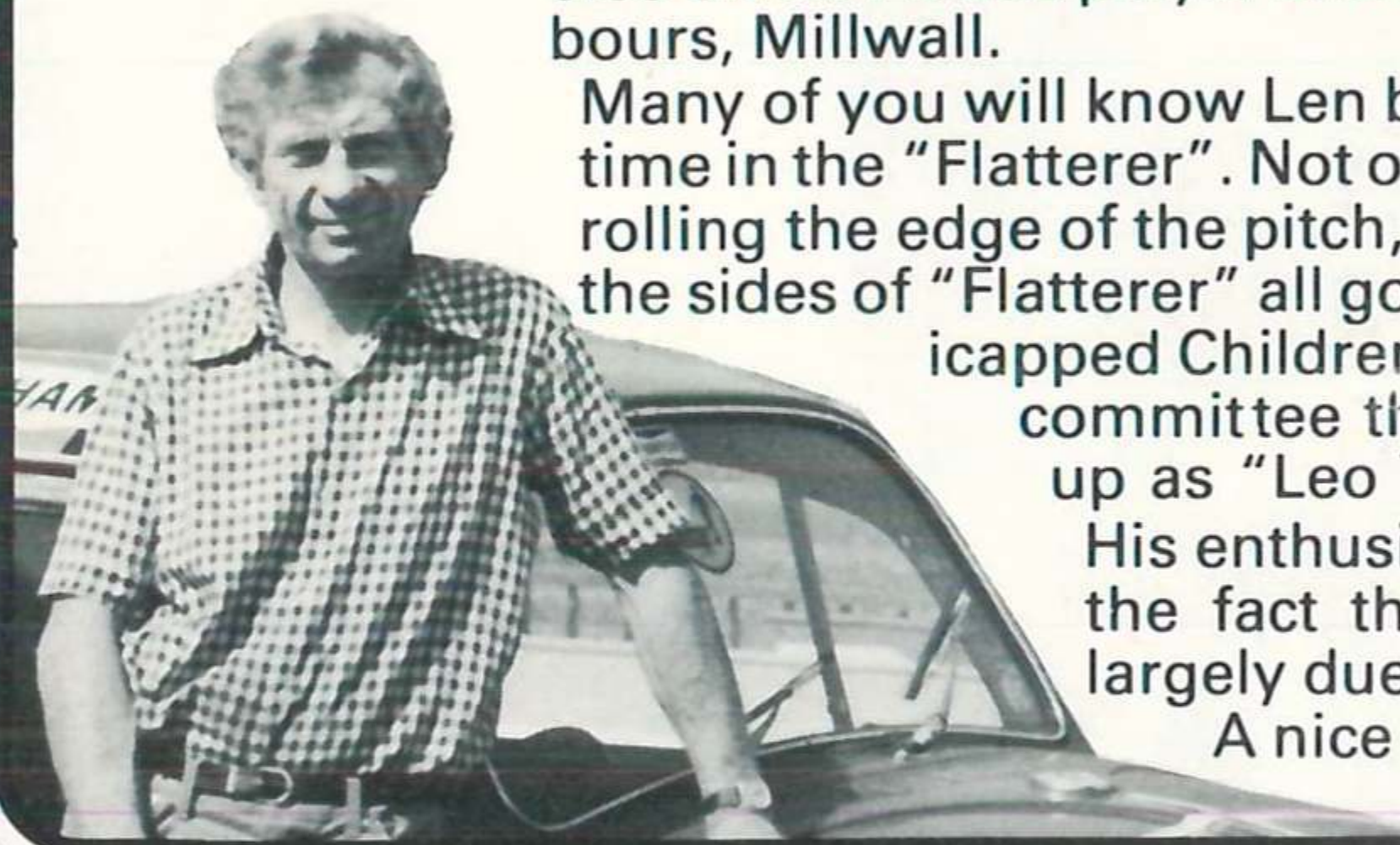
Len still keeps his hand in, coaching two nights a week for the I.L.E.A.

Away from Selhurst Park, he lives locally with wife Betty. His three children, Pam, Bob and Nicky, are all married..... Pam to ex-Palace player Micky Griffiths. Youngest son Nicky is also an ex-Palace player and is currently Captain at South London neighbours, Millwall.

Many of you will know Len best from his drives around the pitch at half-time in the "Flatterer". Not only does this car serve a practical purpose in rolling the edge of the pitch, but the money that is given to advertise on the sides of "Flatterer" all goes towards the Annual Crystal Palace Handicapped Childrens' Party. Len is the guiding light behind the committee that organises the party and always dresses up as "Leo The Clown" to amuse the kids.

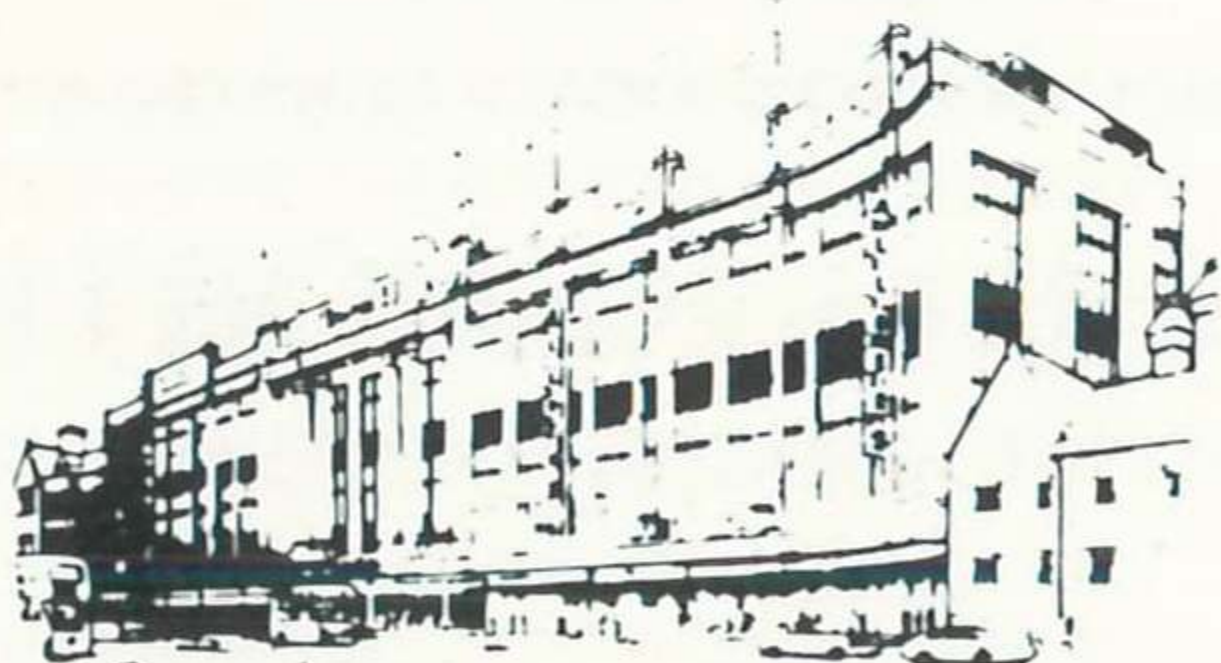
His enthusiasm for this worthy cause is boundless and the fact that the party is always a great success is largely due to Len's efforts.

A nice man, Len!



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5. STEVE WICKS
6. JIM CANNON
7. SHAUN BROOKS
8. NEIL SMILLIE
9. IAN WALSH
10. KEVIN MABBUTT
11. VINCE HILAIRE
- 12.

BOLTON WANDERERS

SHIRTS: GREEN
SHORTS: GREEN

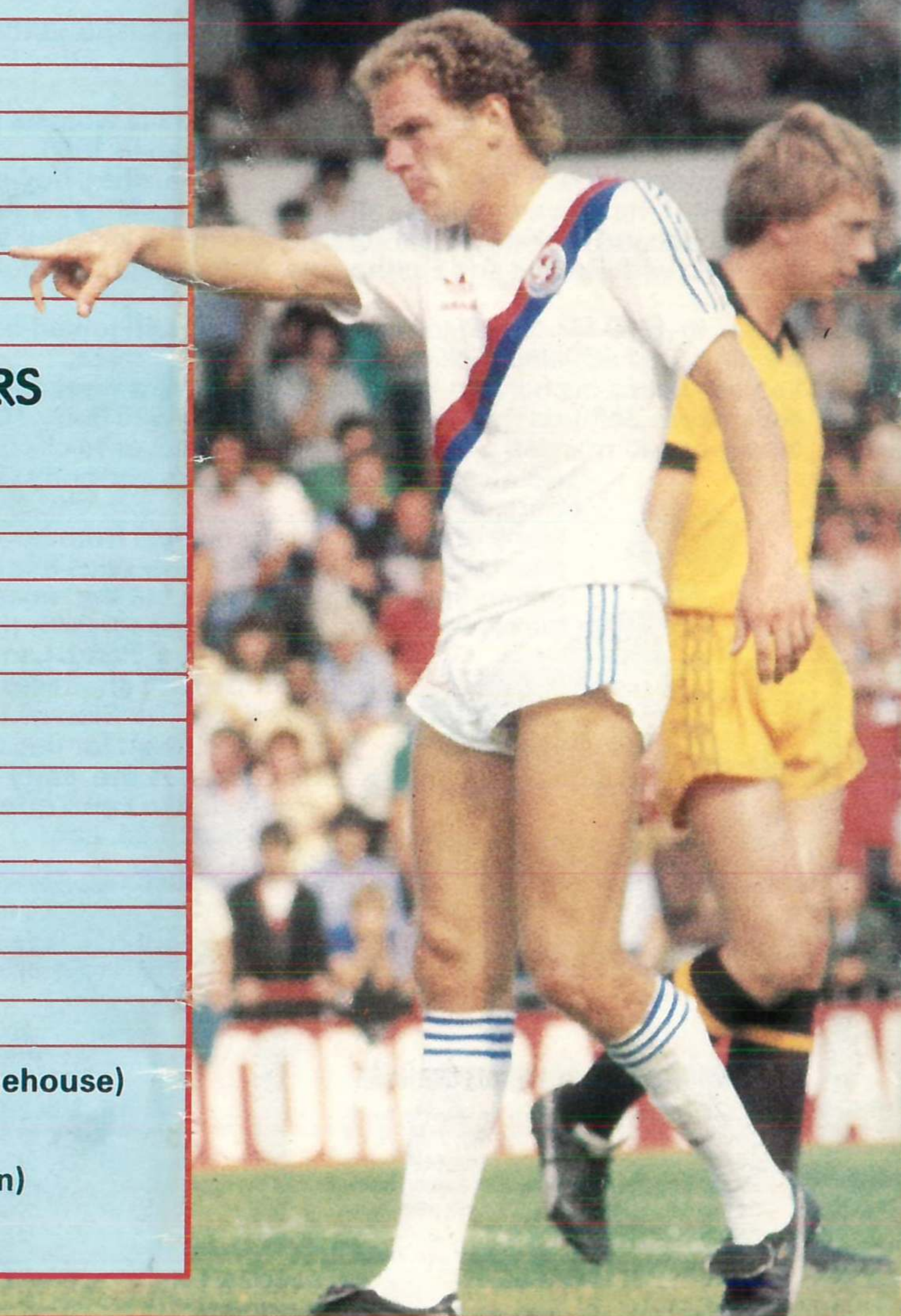
1. JIM McDONAGH
2. STEVE WHITWORTH
3. MIKE BENNETT
4. TONY HENRY
5. PAUL JONES
6. GERRY McELHINNEY
7. JEFF CHANDLER
8. WAYNE FOSTER
9. ALAN GOWLING
10. GEOFF LANGLEY
11. CHRIS THOMSON
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